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Consideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended at page 1 to identify that this application is a U.S. National Phase Application under 35 USC 371 of International Application PCT/JP2003/001054. In addition, a new abstract has been prepared to comply with U.S. requirements.

Original claims 1-8 have been cancelled and new claims 9-14 are added. New claims 9-14 correspond to the claims as amended under PCT Article 34 during the international phase, in better U.S. form.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



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